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In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

Applicants cite JP-02-121369; JP-59-117164; JP-58-016566; US-4,232,327; US-4,704,302; US-4,832,986; and US-5,192,644 which were cited in the counterpart Japanese patent application and mailed September 7, 2004.

It is requested that the accompanying PTO-1449 be considered and made of record in the above-identified application. To assist the Examiner, the documents are listed on the attached form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that are Examiner-initialed copy of this form be returned to the undersigned.

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